PATENT 450100-03200 IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Hideyuki Agata, et al. Applicants Serial No. 09/844,563 April 27, 2001 Filed INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD For AND PROGRAM AND PROGRAM STORAGE MEDIUM Examiner Truc T. Chuong Art Unit 2179 745 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10151 Tel: 212-588-0800 **Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Dear Sir: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. No additional fee is required. \boxtimes The fee has been calculated as shown below. This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply. (3)(4) (5)(6)(7)(1)(2)Claims remaining after Highest Present extra Rate Additional amendment number Fee previously paid for **'=22 * 0 x \$50 (25) = \$ 0 Total claims 21 Minus \$200 (100) = \$0Minus * 0 x Independent claims 3 Total additional fee for this amendment \$0 If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5. If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space. *** If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space. This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$360(180) has been previously paid \(\subseteq \), or is paid herewith . This response is being filed within the first month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a one month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$120.00 is attached, which covers the cost of \square additional claims \boxtimes petition for extension of time. Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320. Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320. FIRST CLASS MAIL CERTIFICATE Respectfully submitted, I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope FROMMER LAWRENCE & HAUG LLP addressed to: Commissioner For Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on May 19, 2006. Attorneys for Applicants Thomas F. Presson, Reg. No. 41,442

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